# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HJR 141**

March 8, 2005

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Proposes to amend Articles II and VI of the Tennessee Constitution relative to merging chancery courts, criminal courts and circuit courts into a single district court with both law and equity jurisdiction.

The foregoing amendment shall be referred to the 105<sup>th</sup> General Assembly and this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee.

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

## Increase State Expenditures - \$20,000 One-Time

## **Assumptions:**

- A one-time cost of \$20,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers as required by this resolution.
- Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution requires publication of the resolution before the next legislative election. This publication would occur in the spring of 2006.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director